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SUBJECT: WHO - TEXT OF ARAB RESOLUTION ON ISRAEL

REFERENCE: GENEVA 7238

FOLLOWING IS THE MISSION'S INITIAL ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF
AN ARAB RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE REPORT ON HEALTH CON-
DITIONS IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES BY THE WHO COMMITTEE
OF EXPERTS. THIS DRAFT WAS ORIGINALLY PREPARED IN ARABIC,
THEN TRANSLATED INTO FRENCH AND A COPY GIVEN TO THE MAURI-
TANIAN DELEGATION WHICH IS SEEKING SUPPORT OF THE AFRICAN
GROUP. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THERE MAY POSSIBLY BE A SECOND
ARAB DRAFT RESOLUTION FLOATING AROUND, SINCE OUR INFORMA-
TION WAS THAT ORIGINALLY THERE WERE TWO: ONE BY THE SY-
RIANS AND ANOTHER BY THE IRAQIS. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS IS
PROBABLY THE IRAQI DRAFT, ALTHOUGH IT COULD BE A COMPRO-
MISE TEXT. MISSION'S COMMENTS, STRATEGY AND RECOMMENDA-
TIONS FOLLOW BY SEPTTEL. BEGIN TEXT:

DRAFT RESOLUTION

THE WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY, AT ITS 31ST SESSION:
- RECALLING ON THE ONE HAND RESOLUTION WHA 30.37 OF 18 MAY

1977 AND ITS PREVIOUS DECLARATIONS ON THE SITUATION OF REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS, AND ON THE OTHER HAND THE RESOLUTIONS RELATING TO THEM AND ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION:

- CONSIDERING THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS;

- CONSIDERING THE DISPOSITIONS OF THE GENEVA CONVENTION OF 12 AUGUST 1949, NOTABLY ITS ARTICLE IV REGARDING THE DEFENSE OF CIVILIANS' RIGHTS IN WARTIME;

- REFERRING TO THE PRINCIPLES AFFIRMED BY THE CONSTITUTION OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION, AND IN PARTICULAR
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TO THE PRINCIPLE ACCORDING TO WHICH THE HEALTH OF ALL PEOPLES CONSTITUTES ONE OF THE ESSENTIAL CONDITIONS FOR THE REALIZATION OF PEACE AND SECURITY;

- FAITHFUL TO ITS RESPONSIBILITY OF ASSURING FAVORABLE HEALTH CONDITIONS FOR ALL PEOPLES, ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE SUBJECT TO EXCEPTIONAL CONDITIONS AND PARTICULARLY TO FOREIGN OCCUPATION AND COLONIALISM OF SETTLEMENT;

- HAVING EXAMINED THE FIRST REPORTS PREPARED BY THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS CHARGED WITH STUDYING ALL ASPECTS OF THE HEALTH CONDITIONS OF THE INHABITANTS OF OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES, INCLUDING PALESTINE, AND TAKING ACCOUNT OF THE FACT THAT THE REPORT OF THIS COMMITTEE REFERS TO THE SHORTNESS OF ITS VISIT TO THE REGION AND TO THE LACK OF COMPLETE STATISTICS IN THE MATTER OF THE DELIVERY OF HEALTH SERVICES, WHICH DID NOT ALLOW IT TO GAIN A SUFFICIENT KNOWLEDGE OF THE HEALTH SITUATION OF THE POPULATION IN QUESTION;

- CONVINCED THAT THE OCCUPATION OF THESE PEOPLE SUFFERING UNDER DOMINATION GRAVELY AFFECTED THEIR SANITARY, SOCIAL, PSYCHOLOGICAL, MENTAL AND PHYSICAL WELL-BEING, AND THAT ONLY THE IMMEDIATE AND DEFINITIVE ENDING OF THIS OCCUPATION CAN PUT AN END TO THIS STATE OF AFFAIRS;

A. 1. EXPRESSES TO THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION AND HIS COLLABORATORS ITS THANKS FOR THE EFFORTS THEY HAVE MADE TO CARRY OUT RESOLUTION WHA 30.37 OF 18 MAY 1977;

2. EXPRESSES THEIR THANKS TO THE SPECIAL EXPERT COMMITTEE FOR ITS EXCELLENT WORK;
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3. RECOMMENDS THAT THE COMMITTEE PURSUE ITS WORK WITH A VIEW TO COMPLETING ITS MISSION AS DEFINED BY RESOLUTION NO. 26/73 IN VIRTUE OF WHICH IT WAS CONSTITUTED, AND BY THE ANNEXED RESOLUTIONS RECOMMENDING THAT THE HEALTH SITUATION OF THE ARAB POPULATIONS IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES SHOULD BE FOLLOWED CONTINUOUSLY.

B. THE WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY:

- AFTER HAVING TAKEN NOTE OF THE REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL ON THE SUBJECT OF THE HEALTH AID BROUGHT TO REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS OF THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES, INCLUDING PALESTINE;

1. PAYS TRIBUTE TO THE EFFORTS MADE BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR THE EXECUTION OF RESOLUTION WHA 30.37 AND ASKS HIM TO PURSUE HIS COLLABORATION WITH THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION SO AS TO BRING THE NECESSARY HELP TO THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE.

2. ASKS THE DIRECTOR GENERAL TO CONTINUE TO SET ASIDE THE FUNDS NECESSARY FOR THE AMELIORATION OF THE HEALTH CONDITIONS OF THE ARAB POPULATIONS OF THE OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES, AND TO SEE THAT THOSE FUNDS ARE USED UNDER THE DIRECT CONTROL OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION AND THROUGH THE MEDIUM OF ITS REPRESENTATIVES IN THOSE TERRITORIES.

3. ASKS THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION, IN CONFORMITY WITH THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF EXPERT AND WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN ITS REPORT (1/31/37) TO HELP TO MAKE GOOD THE INSUFFICIENCY OF HEALTH SERVICES WHICH AFFECTS THE INHABITANTS OF THE OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES.

- THE DIRECTOR GENERAL IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED TO USE IN
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THIS SENSE THE CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY GOVERNMENTS, GOVERNMENTAL AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS, AND TO SEEK ASSISTANCE IN CARRYING OUT THIS TASK FROM THE ARAB ORGANIZATIONS SET UP WITH THIS OBJECT IN THE INTERIOR OF THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES, WITHOUT THE INTERVENTION OF THE OCCUPATION AUTHORITIES.

C. THE WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY:

1. EXPRESSES ITS PROFOUND PREOCCUPATION WITH THE DEGRADATION OF THE HEALTH AND PSYCHOLOGICAL CONDITIONS FROM WHICH THE INHABITANTS OF THE OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES ARE SUFFERING;

2. DENOUNCES THE INHUMAN PRACTICES TO WHICH ARAB DE-TAINEES ARE SUBJECTED IN ISRAELI PRISONS, PRACTICES WHICH DANGEROUSLY AFFECT THEIR HEALTH, PSYCHOLOGICAL AND MENTAL CONDITION;

3. CONDEMNS ISRAEL FOR ITS REFUSAL TO CONFORM TO THE DISPOSITIONS OF ARTICLE IV OF THE GENEVA CONVENTION OF 12 AUGUST 1949 RELATING TO THE DEFENSE OF CIVILIANS IN TIME OF WAR;

4. DEMANDS THAT ISRAEL CEASE IMMEDIATELY TO PLANT COLONIES IN THE OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES, AND PUTS AN END TO THE OCCUPATION AND EXPROPRIATION OF ARAB LANDS WHICH IT DESTINES FOR THE PLANTING OF NEW COLONIES. THE CREATION OF SUCH COLONIES DEPRIVES THE INHABITANTS OF THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES OF THEIR RIGHT TO CONSERVE THEIR LANDS, THEIR PROPERTY AND THEIR NATURAL RICHES, AND DANGEROUSLY AFFECTS THEIR HEALTH, PSYCHOLOGICAL AND SOCIAL STATE;

5. CONSIDERS THAT THE OBSTINACY OF THE OCCUPATION
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FORCES IN PURSUING THEIR UNJUST AND INHUMAN PRACTICES IN THE OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES, AFFECTING THE PHYSICAL AND MORAL HEALTH OF THE ARAB INHABITANTS AND TENDING TO MODIFY THE ARAB CHARACTER OF THOSE TERRITORIES, ARE GROUNDS FOR ENVISAGING THE APPLICATION OF THE MEASURES PROVIDED FOR BY THE CONSTITUTION OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION.

D. THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION:

- IN VIGOROUSLY DENOUNCING DECISION NO. 475 OF 4 JANUARY 1978 TAKEN BY THE ISRAELI ARMY OF OCCUPATION AND SIGNED BY THE MILITARY COMMANDER OF THE WEST BANK OF THE JORDAN REGARDING THE AUTHORIZATION OF MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL PRACTICE ON THE WEST BANK, AND IN EXPRESSING INDIGNATION AT THIS AGGRESSIVE DECISION WHICH TENDS TO MODIFY THE ARAB CHARACTER OF THE OCCUPIED REGION AND LEGITIMIZE THE OCCUPATION:

(A) IN CONFERRING ON THE OCCUPIER COMPLETE LIBERTY OF GRANTING, REFUSING OR WITHDRAWING THE AUTHORIZATIONS, AND THIS CONTRARY TO THE ACCEPTED PRINCIPLES IN THE MATTER OF THE ORGANIZATION OF THE PROFESSION;

(B) IN EXPELLING THE ARABS EXERCISING THE MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL PROFESSIONS, AND MAKING THE CONDITIONS OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH PRACTICE MORE DIFFICULT FOR THE INHABITANTS.

DEMANDS THAT ISRAEL CEASE TO MODIFY THE SITUATION IN THAT WHICH CONCERNS THE EXERCISE OF THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS IN THE OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES, AND CONSEQUENTLY TO ANNUL IMMEDIATELY DECISION NO. 475 OF 4 JANUARY 1978 OF THE ISRAELI ARMY OF OCCUPATION, AS WELL AS ALL SIMILAR DECISIONS WHOSE OBJECT IS TO EXTENUISH THE LIBERTIES OF THE ARAB POPULATION OF THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES. SORENSON UNQUOTE VANCE

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